

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim Amendments

The Applicant has withdrawn claims 3, 5-29, and 32-45; claims 47-63 have been added. Accordingly, claims 1, 2, 4, 30, 31, and 47-63 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Election/Restrictions

The Examiner stated that the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species: FIGs. 3A, 3B, 4B, 5, and 6.

In response to the restriction requirement, the Applicant elects to continue prosecution of the invention for FIG. 3A, claims 1, 2, 4, 30, and 31. In addition, added claims 47-63 are readable upon Embodiment 1, directed to Fig. 3A.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants believe all of the claims currently pending in the Application to be in a condition for allowance. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw all rejections and issue a Notice of Allowance for claims 1-45.

The Applicants request a telephonic interview if the Examiner has any questions or requires any additional information that would further or expedite the prosecution of the Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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